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Sent: Fri 3/22/2013 7:11:26 PM
Subject: FW: Bridgeton Landfill concern - Fein
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Hello Dan, Shawn,

I am writing to you as a concerned citizen and taxpayer about the radioactive waste stored at the West Lake Landfill and the thermal event at the Bridgeton Landfill.

The following text is a complaint that I submitted to MO Dept. of Natural Resources this morning:

"Republic Services continues to defy independent industry experts by insisting that no health hazard exists. They continue to deny calling it a "fire" only because they know that the word fire would cause panic in some cases. They also continue to deny that the underground fire could potentially reach the illegal radioactive waste at West Lake 1200 feet away. They also have a smear campaign against Mr. Peter Anderson, the subject matter expert who mentioned the words, "dirty bomb". According to Mr. Anderson's bio on his organizations website, he indeed does have a master's degree in waste management, however Republic Services chose to omit that fact in their press release "March 21, 2013 Update". Republic Services is just a big bully, who really has no backbone. They are merely trying to protect their primary responsibility which is to their shareholders and not the taxpayers. We the people need our government to take action against Republic Services. We need a safe and healthy living and work environment."

Attached is a report from March 14, 2013 written by Robert E. Criss, professor of stable isotopes at Washington University. The reason I am sending the attachment to you is simply to let you know that it exists (perhaps you've already read it). I think it's important that you have subject matter expertise from those that have no relationship whatsoever with the responsible parties.

Regarding Republic Services' claim that there is no health risk. My wife has and less frequently, I have been getting headaches, watery eyes, sniffles or a little cough off and on during the past several months. Speaking with a multitude of community members (we live about 1.5 miles from

West Lake/Bridgeton Landfills), they have similar health complaints. Other community members health complaints are much more than that. So any party claiming that no health risk exists is wrong. The communities' health is suffering right now! Hopefully, these are just temporary in nature and perhaps not very serious but that remains to be seen.

Then there is the larger question of the radioactive waste that was illegally dumped at West Lake in 1973. Fire or no fire at the Bridgeton Landfill, the fact that the radioactive waste has been allowed to remain there for 40 years is a crime. Everyone knows that radioactive particles only get worse over time because of the half-lives and daughter products. There are reports from NRC, EPA over the decades describing the radioactive nature of West Lake including its interaction with the geology and aquifers.

The radioactive material at West Lake needs to be hauled away far from people and water. The fact that West Lake is not under the Army Corps of Engineers as are the other radioactive waste disposal sites in the St. Louis region is puzzling, to say the least. However, when one considers that the radioactive waste at West Lake is not supposed to be there in the first place, one can imagine that the responsible parties and agencies that oversee them might just like to whole situation to disappear.

We are tax-payers and we want our tax money used to haul away the radioactive waste. It is decades overdue!

Respectfully,

Saul Fein

Citizen of Maryland Heights, MO and tax-payer

-----Original Message-----

From: Trunko, Joe [mailto:joe.trunko@dnr.mo.gov]

Sent: Friday, March 22, 2013 11:50 AM
To: Fein Saul H Mr NGA-SFEA USA CIV
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Saul, it was pleasure talking with you today about the Bridgeton Landfill and West Lake Landfill. I would encourage you to continue to check the Department website at <http://www.dnr.mo.gov/env/bridgeton-westlake.htm> for updated information about the site. Should you have specific questions about the air monitoring results and interpretation of the air monitoring data, you can contact Mr. Jonathan Garoutte of the Missouri Department of Health, Bureau of Environmental Epidemiology at (573) 751-6102, jonathan.garoutte@health.mo.gov. Republic Services has also created a website to provide the public information on the Bridgeton Landfill, as well as to notify the public of activities occurring that may contribute to odors. The website address is www.bridgetonlandfill.com. I am forwarding your contact information to Republic Services so that they can follow-up with you as well and provide you with additional info.

Should you have specific questions concerning the Westlake Landfill you can contact the individuals below:

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Feel free to contact me should you have any additional questions or concerns.

Thanks!

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